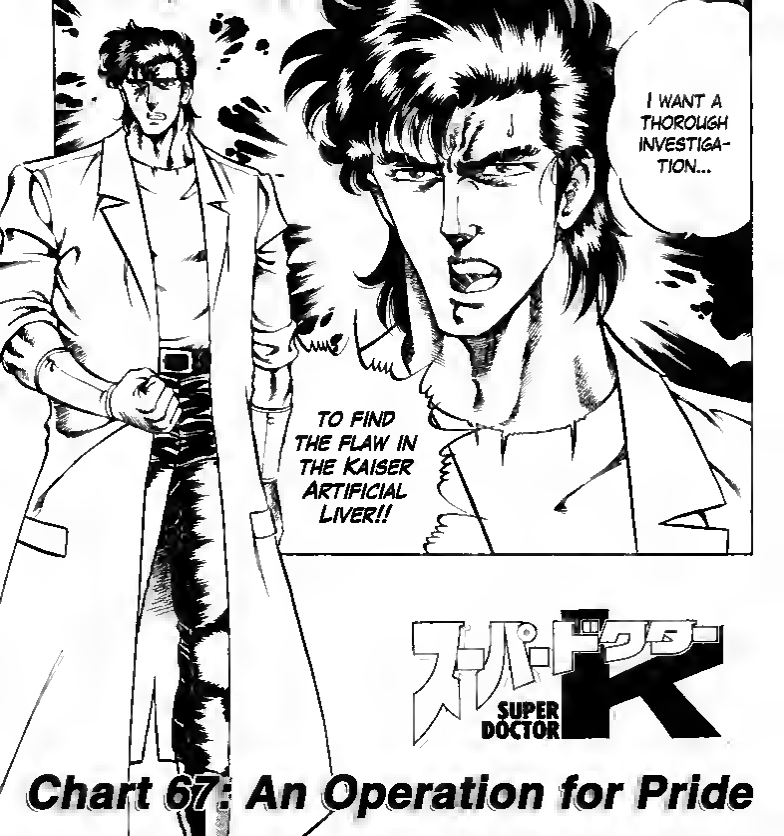

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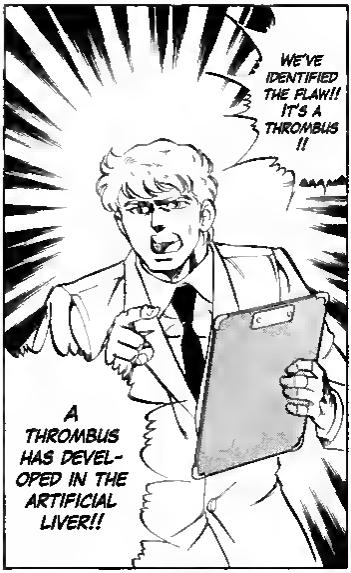
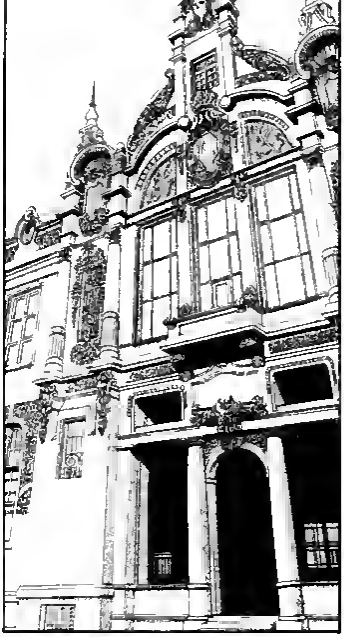
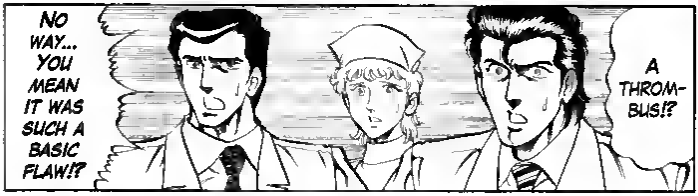
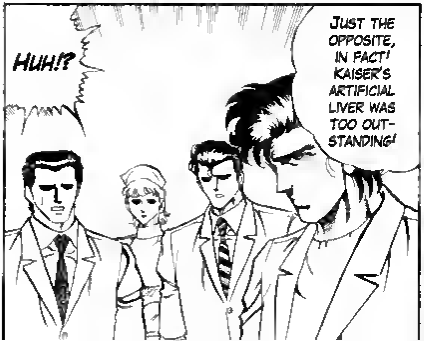
SUPER DOCTOR K

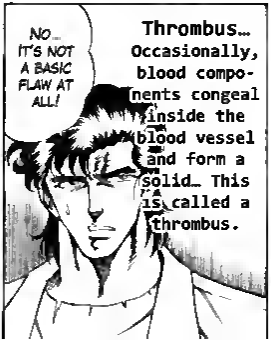
Chart 67: An Operation for Pride


WE'VE IDENTIFIED THE FLAW!! IT'S A THROMBUS !!
A THROMBUS HAS DEVELOPED IN THE ARTIFICIAL LIVER!!




NO WAY... YOU MEAN IT WAS SUCH A BASIC FLAW!?
A THROMBUS!?


HUH!?
JUST THE OPPOSITE, IN FACT! KAISER'S ARTIFICIAL LIVER WAS TOO OUTSTANDING!


NO... IT'S NOT A BASIC FLAW AT ALL!
Thrombus… Occasionally, blood components congeal inside the blood vessel and form a solid… This is called a thrombus.

THERE ARE MORE PLACES FOR BLOOD CLOTS TO FORM. THESE CLOTS THEN FORM THROMBI AND CAUSE THE MECHANICAL FUNCTIONS TO FAIL.
THE BIGGEST PROBLEM IN ANY ARTIFICIAL ORGAN, NOT JUST AN ARTIFICIAL LIVER, IS THAT DUE TO THE PRESENCE OF MECHANICAL PARTS,
IT BECAME A BLIND SPOT PRECISELY BECAUSE OF THE MACHINE'S EXCELLENCE
. . . .
BUT... WE DIDN'T SEE ANY ABNORMALITIES IN OUR ANIMAL TESTS FOR HALF A YEAR!
I CAN'T BELIEVE WE ONLY DISCOVERED THIS FLAW RIGHT BEFORE THE OPERATION.
HOW IRONIC!!
DUE TO THE MACHINE'S EXCELLENCE, THE BLOOD COMPONENTS DID NOT CONGEAL ALL AT ONCE. THEY SIMPLY ACCUMULATED BIT BY BIT OVER TIME... AND THEN BECAME A THROMBUS.
LOOK AT THIS!!
バタ-!!
YOU GUYS !!
TEUFEL

THEY'VE WRITTEN A TISSUE OF LIES ABOUT PROFESSOR KAISER!!
THEY'RE COMPLETELY MOCKING HIM!!
WHAT HAPPENED?
IN A WAY THAT PORTRAYS HIM AS A CLOWN TRYING TO DO THE IMPOSSIBLE!!
W...WHAT AWFUL WRITING...!! THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT THE PROFESSOR'S DESPERATE RESEARCH
ESPECIALLY SINCE HE VOLUNTEERED HIMSELF TO BE THE TEST SUBJECT FOR THE ARTIFICIAL LIVER..!!
THIS IS JUST TOO HARD ON THE PROFESSOR!
KCH... THAT'S SURE AN ACRID WAY TO SAY IT...
"PROFESSOR KAISER'S RESEARCH IS JUST LIKE ICARUS, FLYING UP TO THE SUN WITH WINGS OF WAX.."
HE COULD DIE, JUST LIKE THAT...!!
AND NOW THAT WE'VE DISCOVERED A FLAW IN THE ARTIFICIAL LIVER...

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO DO IN JUST A WEEK!!
THERE'S NO TIME TO OVERCOME THE FLAW BEFORE THE OPERATION!
WHAT DO I DO?

O...OH, IT'S YOU, K..
HOW HAVE YOU BEEN HOLDING UP?

KAISER.
KAISER!
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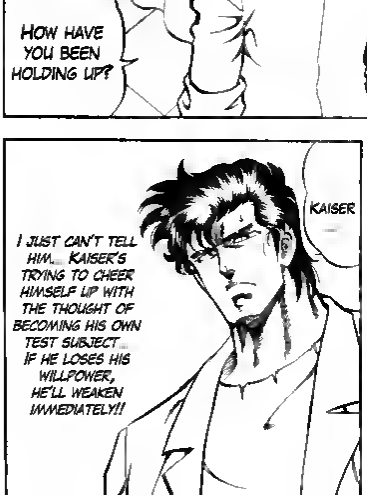
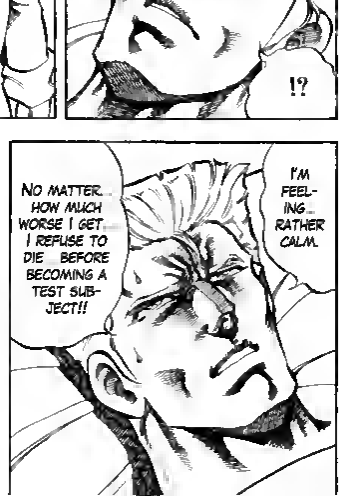
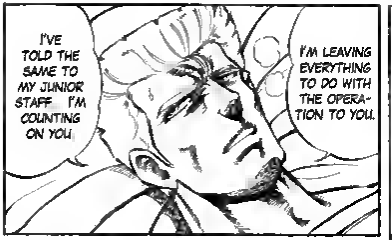
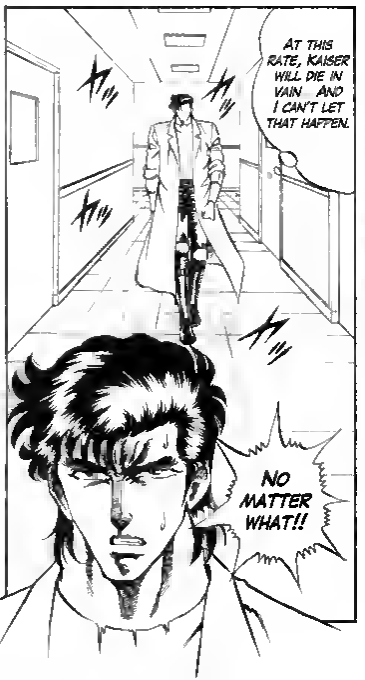

KAISER...
I JUST CAN'T TELL HIM... KAISER'S TRYING TO CHEER HIMSELF UP WITH THE THOUGHT OF BECOMING HIS OWN TEST SUBJECT. IF HE LOSES HIS WILLPOWER, HE'LL WEAKEN IMMEDIATELY!!


I'M FEELING... RATHER CALM.
NO MATTER HOW MUCH WORSE I GET... I REFUSE TO DIE BEFORE BECOMING A TEST SUBJECT!!


I'VE TOLD THE SAME TO MY JUNIOR STAFF I'M COUNTING ON YOU
I'M LEAVING EVERYTHING TO DO WITH THE OPERATION TO YOU.

ISN'T THERE SOME OTHER WAY...?
BUT THAT SAID, IMPLANTING A FAULTY PRODUCT WOULD BE A DEATH SENTENCE...

TRUST ME ON THIS
YEAH.

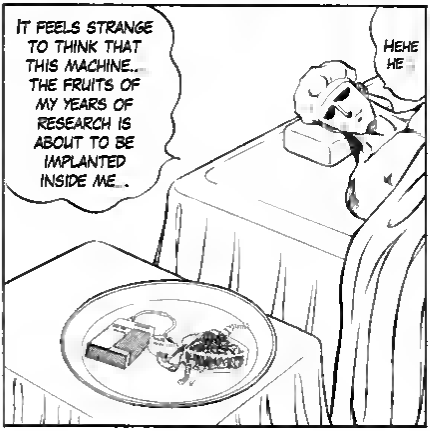

AT THIS RATE, KAISER WILL DIE IN VAIN AND I CAN'T LET THAT HAPPEN.
NO MATTER WHAT!!

I'LL DO MY BEST ON THE OPERATION SO DON'T WORRY.

GENTLE-MEN!
PROFESSOR KAISER'S CONDITION HAS AGGRAVATED TO THE POINT WHERE WE HAVE NOT A MOMENT TO SPARE!
BUT I KNOW I SHARE YOUR SENTI-MENT
THAT I DO NOT WANT THE PROFESSOR TO DIE!!

THEREFORE, PROFESSOR KAISER'S OPERATION WILL BE PERFORMED
AT 10:00 AM ONE WEEK FROM NOW, AS SCHEDULED !!

HUU UUH!?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN...?
ARE YOU GOING TO IMPLANT IT WITHOUT REPAIRING THE DEFECT !?

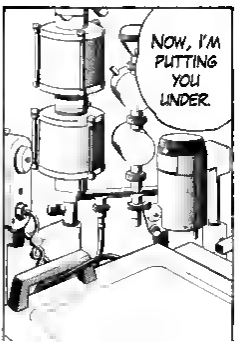

IT FEELS STRANGE TO THINK THAT THIS MACHINE.. THE FRUITS OF MY YEARS OF RESEARCH IS ABOUT TO BE IMPLANTED INSIDE ME..
HEHE HE

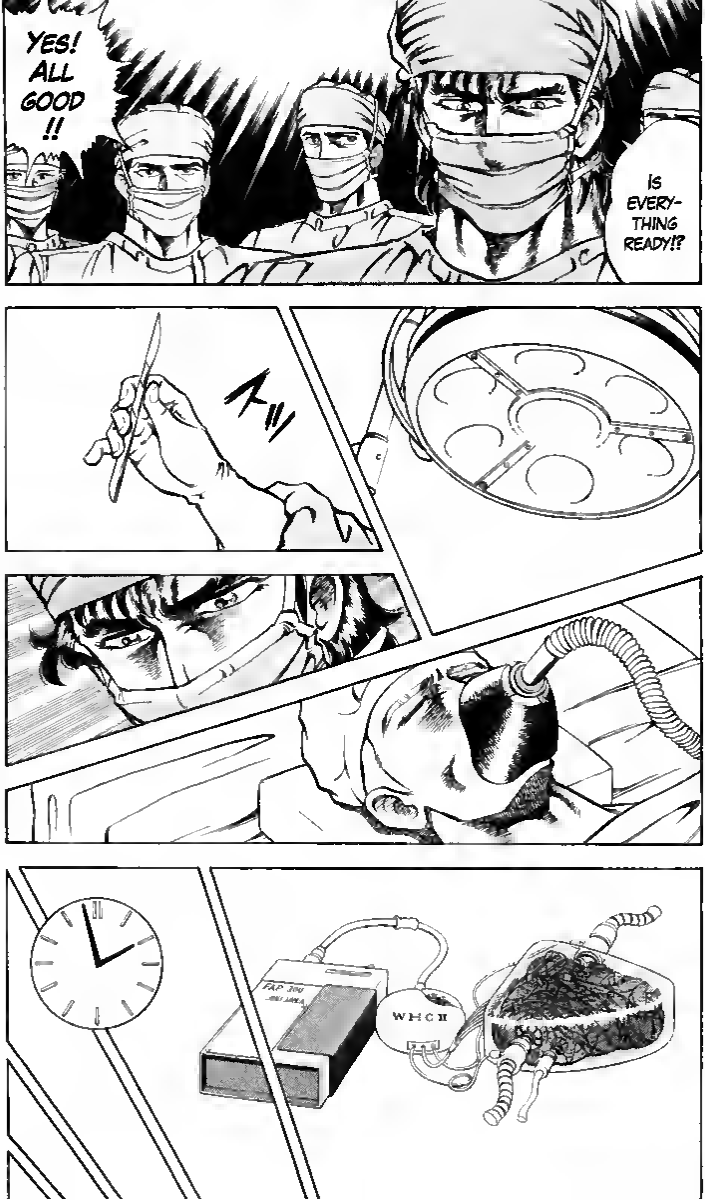
KAISER.

IT'S FINALLY TIME..

THEN LET'S BEGIN.
GOOD

I'M COUNTING ON YOU!!..

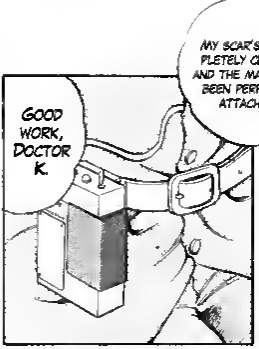

NOW, I'M PUTTING YOU UNDER.


YES! ALL GOOD !!
IS EVERY-THING READY!?
WHCII

.....
NN... MMGH ...
W... WHERE AM I...?
I'M... ALIVE...?
AM I... REALLY ALIVE ...?
T- THEN THAT MEANS ...!!
YES! IT'S A SUC- CESS!!
CON- GRATU- LATIONS, PROFES- SOR KAISER !!
Y...YOU GUYS...!!

THAT'S RIGHT!! YOU'VE FINALLY DONE IT, PROFESSOR !!
MY JAUNDICE IS GONE, TOO!!
WHAT ABOUT THE EXTERNAL UNIT ?
THAT MUST MEAN MY ARTIFICIAL LIVER IS FUNCTIONING WELL...
I'VE SUCCESSFULLY DEVELOPED AN ARTIFICIAL LIVER, WHICH NO ONE IN THE WORLD HAS EVER DONE...
I DID IT... I DID IT!!
IT'S WORKING... IT'S FUNCTIONING!!
Three weeks later...
I'VE PROVED THE MAGNIFICENCE OF GERMAN MEDICINE!!

There's nothing wrong with seeing what he's done inside my belly hehehe.
I'll look over the detailed data from the operation.


My scar's completely closed, and the machine's been perfectly attached.
Good work, Doctor K.

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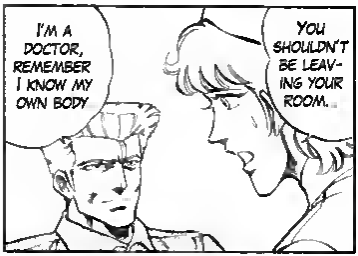
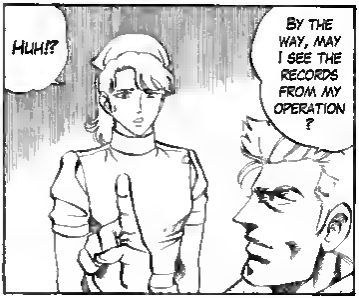
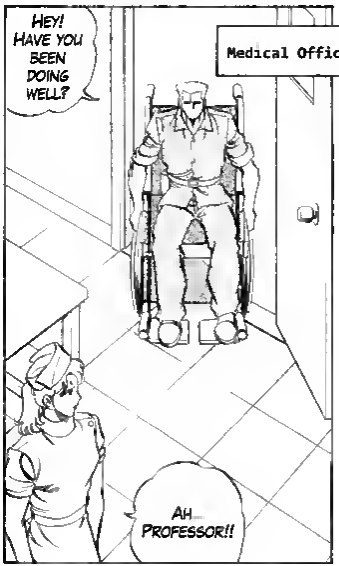
I know!


I'm a doctor, remember I know my own body
You shouldn't be leaving your room.


Huh!?
By the way, may I see the records from my operation?


Medical Office
Hey! Have you been doing well?
Ah... Professor!!

AHH!!
IS THE KARTE IN THIS SHELF?
I WAS HOPING TO STUDY THE PROCEDURE THAT K PERFORMED.
I'M GOING TO HAVE TO BE THE ONE IMPLANTING THE ARTIFICIAL LIVER IN PATIENTS FROM NOW ON.
HEY... WHAT ARE YOU PANICKING OVER?
N-NO! DON'T OPEN IT...!!
HMM?
THE KAISER ARTIFICIAL LIVER!?
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THAT'S ...

WHY IS THE UNIT THAT IS SUPPOSED TO BE INSIDE ME IN HERE ...?
WHY !?
THAT'S THE NUMBER THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE IMPLANTED INSIDE OF ME!!
AND IT'S PROTOTYPE NUMBER 25...?
SO...
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!?
WHAT IS IT THAT'S INSIDE OF ME..?
IT'S JUST A FAKE...
THE EXTERNAL UNIT... ISN'T HOOKED UP TO A BATTERY...
W... WELL ...
WHAT KIND OF OPERATION DID YOU PERFORM ON ME!?
WHY AM I HEADING TOWARDS RECOVERY... WHEN I DON'T EVEN HAVE AN ARTIFICIAL LIVER IMPLANTED INSIDE ME?
WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS!?

!?
WE TRANS-PLANTED... SOMEONE ELSE'S LIVER...
WHY WOULD HE PERFORM THAT OPERA-TION..?
K... WHY!?
LOOKING HIGH AND LOW FOR A LIVER THAT WOULD BE COMPATIBLE WITH YOU.. AND HE FINALLY FOUND ONE.
DOCTOR K RAN ALL AROUND GERMANY HIMSELF...
.....
NO!! OF GERMAN MEDICINE !!
HIS BETRAYAL HAS MADE A MOCKERY OF ME...

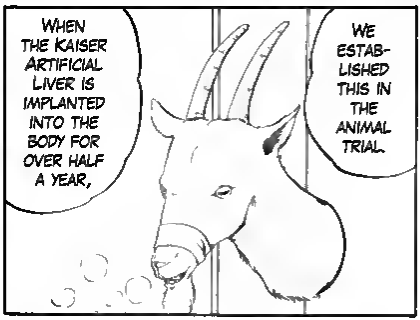
WHY DIDN'T YOU IMPLANT THE ARTIFICIAL LIVER!?

NOW, THEN... IT'S TIME YOU TOLD ME EVERYTHING, DOCTOR K...

COULD YOU POSSIBLY IMPLANT A DEFECTIVE PRODUCT INTO YOUR PATIENT?
YOU'RE A DOCTOR !!

WE FOUND A DEFECT IN THE KAISER ARTIFICIAL LIVER A WEEK BEFORE THE OPERATION!
HUH!?

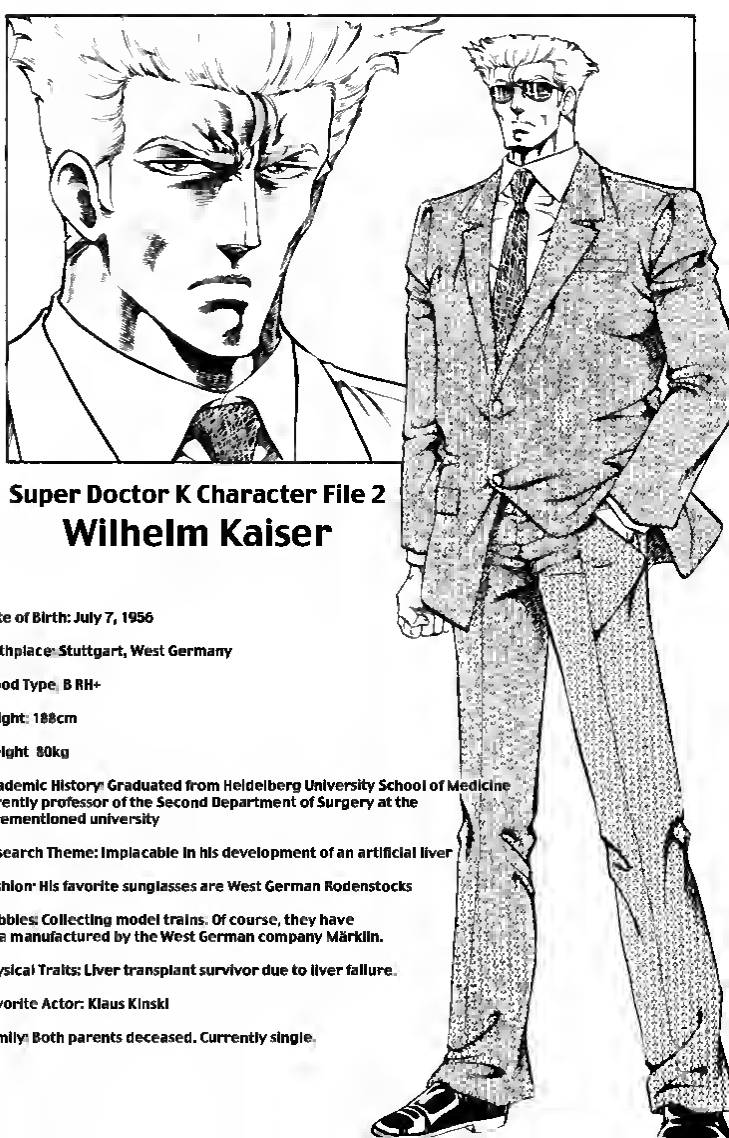
WHICH COMPLETELY HALTS ITS FUNCTION!
IT BEGINS DEVELOPING THROMBI


WHEN THE KAISER ARTIFICIAL LIVER IS IMPLANTED INTO THE BODY FOR OVER HALF A YEAR,
WE ESTABLISHED THIS IN THE ANIMAL TRIAL.

IS DEFECTIVE...!?
MY ARTIFICIAL LIVER...
I DIDN'T WANT YOU TO DIE, NO MATTER WHAT...
IF I HAD IMPLANTED IT IN YOU, YOU WOULD HAVE FACED CERTAIN DEATH!
I...
IS THAT SO...
MY YEARS OF RESEARCH HAVE ALL GONE TO WASTE..
IT'S ALL GONE TO WASTE...
THAT IS MY PHILOSOPHY!
I WILL TELL ANY LIE I HAVE TO, IF IT MEANS SAVING MY PATIENT'S LIFE!!

YOU CAN KEEP RESEARCH-ING!
AS LONG AS YOU'RE STILL ALIVE...
IT HASN'T GONE TO WASTE
NO!
YOU JUST HAVE TO BUILD IT AGAIN! YOU CAN DO IT ALL YOU LIKE AS LONG AS YOU STILL LIVE!!
...
YOU JUST HAVE TO START YOUR RESEARCH OVER.
WILHELM KAISER MUST NOT DIE NOW!!
YOU CANNOT BE REMADE!
NO MATTER HOW DEFECTIVE IT IS, IT CAN ALWAYS BE REMADE...
YOU CAN FIX THE DEFECTS IN THE ARTIFICIAL LIVER...
BUT!!

I SWEAR I WILL DO IT!
I'LL FINISH MY DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPLETELY ARTIFICIAL LIVER!!
I'LL SAY IT AGAIN... GERMAN MEDICINE IS THE GREATEST IN THE WORLD AND .
WAIT ...
!?
AND WHEN I DO... WILL YOU OPERATE ON ME AGAIN?
...
OF COURSE...
I'LL GLADLY FLY HERE FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WORLD TO DO IT.



Super Doctor K Character File 2

Wilhelm Kaiser

-Date of Birth: July 7, 1956

-Birthplace: Stuttgart, West Germany

-Blood Type: B RH+

-Height: 188cm

-Weight: 80kg

-Academic History: Graduated from Heidelberg University School of Medicine
Currently professor of the Second Department of Surgery at the
aforementioned university

-Research Theme: Implacable in his development of an artificial liver

-Fashion: His favorite sunglasses are West German Rodenstocks

-Hobbies: Collecting model trains. Of course, they have
to be manufactured by the West German company Märklin.

-Physical Traits: Liver transplant survivor due to liver failure.

-Favorite Actor: Klaus Kinski

-Family: Both parents deceased. Currently single.

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MAFUNE KAZUO
SHONEN MAGAZINE COMICS
YOU WANNA GET RIPPED LIKE ME? HERE'S A PRESCRIPTION: ACTUALLY EXERCISE!
LOOK MAN, JUST BECAUSE YOU CAN'T FIND YOUR SHIRT DOESN'T MEAN YOU CAN PREACH TO ME.
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